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TRAINING TO YOUTH FOR JOBS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Rural Development and leading firms have entered into an agreement to train 35,000 youths in seven States over the coming years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the States where this scheme is likely to be implemented;

(d) the total cost involved for training these youths;

(e) the percentage of cost likely to be borne by the Government and the private firm for this scheme; and

(f) the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented and nature of trade included in this training?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a), (b) & (c) The Ministry has sanctioned a Special Project under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) in March 2005 titled `Livelihood Advancement Business School (LABS)` submitted by Dr. Reddy`s Foundation (DRF). The objective of the project is to identify and make available the potential livelihood options in rural areas for 35,000 Below Poverty Line (BPL) youth in the age group of 18-35 years. The project will be implemented in 7 States namely, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Bihar and Jharkhand.

(d) & (e) The total project cost is Rs. 14 crore, which would be shared between Centre and the Dr. Reddy`s Foundation (DRF) in the ratio of 75:25.

(f) The project is supposed to be completed in a year. Skill development training to the unemployed youth would be given for a period of 3 to 6 months according to the market requirements and it would include Life skill development, job related technical skills, workplace competencies, work readiness preparation, job shadowing etc.